



Penn Coachmen Newsletter

September ~ October 2023

Roxbury Holiness Campground Rally

All those who attended our last "official" rally of the season had a good time. Even the rain didn't bother us. We had some good times, great food and got caught up with our friends and explored the area.

Carol and Bob Crossett and their hosts did a great job. We had a wonderful cookout with hot dogs and corn on the cob. We even got a little business done at our semi-annual business meeting where our new 2024 Executive Board were elected.

Lots of people jumped in and played *Nickel Nickel*. Saturday nights catered dinner was great as always. After our quick and easy breakfast on Sunday everyone headed out to get ready for GEAR.





Lurgan's Greenhouse
A family of fun!

Penn Coachmen...
Another family of fun!



Our **2024 Executive Board** that was voted at Roxbury:

President	Sue Cipa
Sr. Vice President	Bob Crossett
Secretary	Mary Ellen Seifer
Treasurer	Wayne Dilliplaine
Area V.P.	Pat Sweetman
Area V.P.	Carol Crossett
Area V.P.	Bruce Bingham
Nat'l Director	Gilllian Raye

Congratulations and thank you for volunteering. We look forward to next year and bringing some new ideas to the club.

GEAR 2023

FUN

**NEW
FRIENDS**

The RV's started rolling into Lewisburg on Thursday, September 28th. Months of planning went into GEAR and it was finally coming together. By October 4 there was approximately 245 RV's. Many volunteers, First Timers, Old Friends and New were getting together. Phyllis and Eric Britz along with Dennis Ducharme were Rally Masters.

Even with the "Boil Water" alert and the frustration that it caused, Clarissa Sherrow and her volunteers gave us a wonderful pancake and sausage breakfast and two days of great donuts and coffee.

Lots of seminars, ice cream social, crafts, vendors, games, entertainment each evening and of course that amazing pageant show kept us all busy during the rally.

The First Timer Gatherings were fantastic and welcomed the folks to join different groups to talk about FMCA, GEAR and all the different chapters they could join. Great job Lynda Bucklew, Renee Bingham and Phyllis Pugliesi.

The Chapter Fair for Penn Coachmen turned out to be very beneficial. Many members talked to different first timers and invited them to check out our chapter. We had 13 new couples join us there and a few more came afterwards. Thanks Gillian Raye for helping. We currently have 189 "F" numbers in Penn Coachmen.

Gary Cipa and Eric Britz worked as security with their crew. From sun up to sun down they could always be found assisting with something.

Jim Buelow and Sue Cipa conducted a "President's Round Table". We had approximately 27 attendees and there were lots of ideas and suggestions passed around.

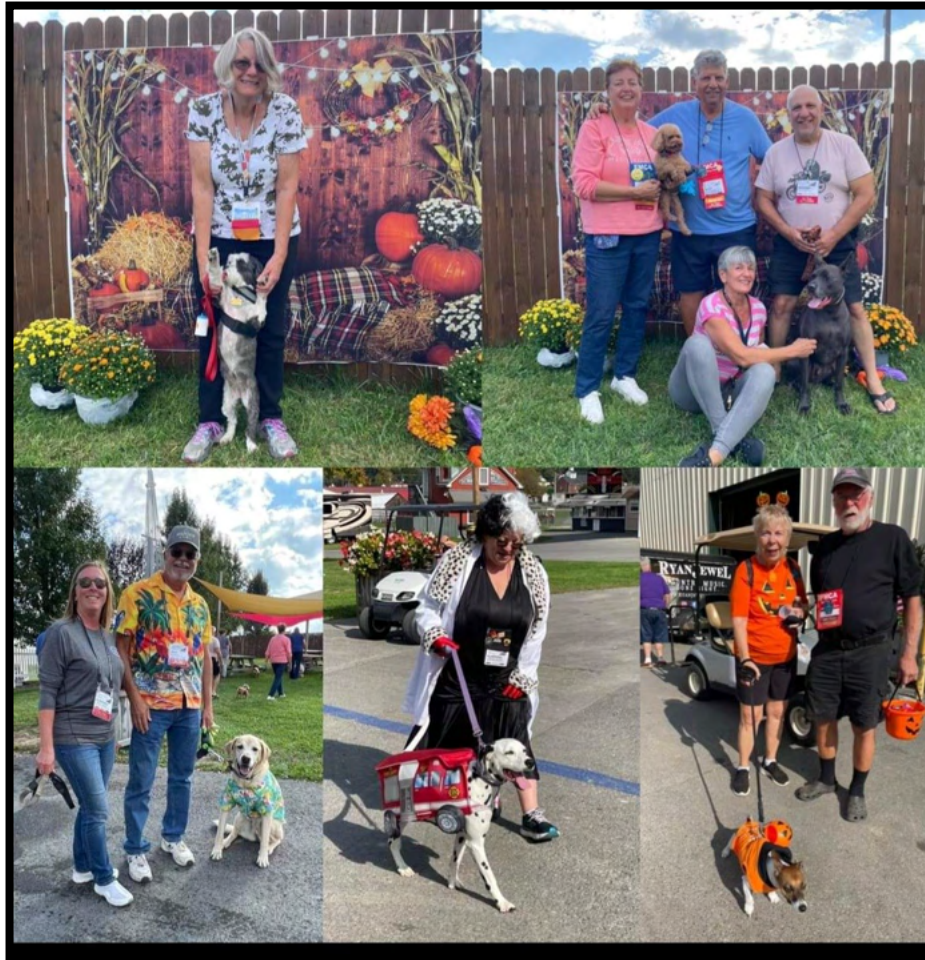
**GOOD
TIMES**

Ladies Luncheon: Sponsored by Rolling Red Hatters

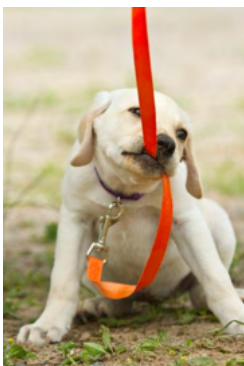
Lot of the ladies attended the "Ladies Luncheon" on Saturday. Everything from the meal to the speaker to the door prizes were fantastic. Carol Crossett and Judy Mahanes (Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer of the Rolling Red Hatters, with the help of Nancy Breisch did a great job.



PET PARADE...



And who doesn't love a parade? This year we had a "Pet Parade" and boy did we have a great turn out. There were so many participates. Thanks to those who joined in and to those who watched as they went by.



MISS GEAR 2023 PAGEANT



Molly, Caroline, Queenie Sha
Beanie, Denise, Willameny,
Isabella & Denise



Isabella: 1st Place runner up
Willameny: Miss GEAR winner
Molly: 2nd Place runner up



Kenny Ray Horton

Our entertainment on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday night were all enjoyable. We are so fortunate to get some great guys to come and join us in Lewisburg.



Ryan Jewel

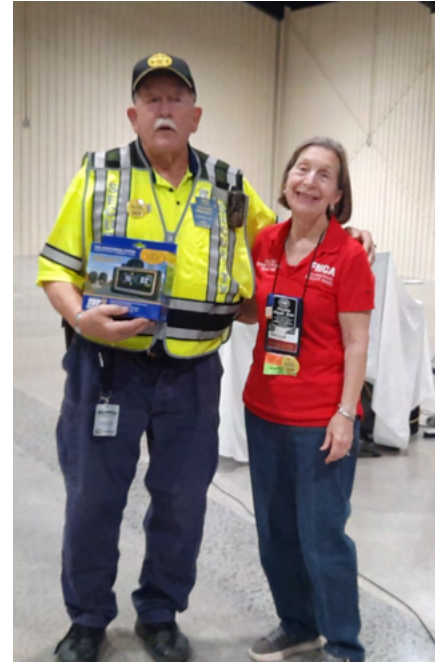


**Carson Peters and the
Iron Mountain Band**





FMCA Store: Hal & Mary Amos and Peggy & Wayne Dilliplaine were the chairs and co-chairs this year! Also included in the picture is Lori Vernon.



Winner of the TST system, Steve Mahanes with Phyllis Britz, President.

Penn Coachmen had so many volunteers and I personally would like to thank each and everyone of you. This chapter is amazing and you should be very proud of yourselves.



Maestros playing a concert for us before the rally! Great performance guys.



Our closing ceremony was a dedication to the military. Gary Cipa did another fantastic job with presenting the flag folding ceremony. Each branch of the military was represented and Eric Britz with Dan Brown folded the American flag as Gary read what each fold stood for. Thank you for a wonder closing Gary!



GEAR 2023 has ended and folks started to head home. Thank you all for your help and dedication to Penn Coachmen.



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